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New schools in Kasargod taluk.

11-20 a.m. * 140 *Q*.—SRI M. NARAYANA NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation to open schools in the villages of Perumbale, Kolathur, Kodoth, Maloth and Belur II in Kasargod taluk of South Kanara district; and

(*b*) whether the Government have taken any, and if so, what action in the matter?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" (*a*) A representation was received by the Director of Public Instruction in July 1952 for the opening of a Board Elementary School under the Grant-in-aid scheme in Bare village and the matter is reported to have been under correspondence with the concerned Deputy Inspector of Schools. No representations have however been received so far for the opening of schools in the other villages.

" (*b*) It is reported that proposals for opening of Board Elementary schools under the grant-in-aid scheme in the villages of Perumbale, Kolathur, Kodoth and Maloth have already been forwarded to the President, District Board, duly recommended by the District Educational Officer, South Kanara."

SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR:—" In view of the fact that there are thousands of villages in the State having a population of more than 1,000, will the Hon. Minister for Education be kind enough to assure this House that immediate steps would be taken to start at least one school in every village of that kind? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" That is the wish of the Government, Sir. But for financial stringency, we should be able to do that."

SRI M. NARAYANA NAMBIAR:—" Are the Government aware that there is not a single educational institution in these villages? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" It is the policy of the Government to try to start an elementary school in every village with 500 or more of population. As I have already stated but for the present financial stringency, it should be possible to make headway."

Tuberculosis patients in Government Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore.

* 141 *Q*.—JANAB M. S. MOGRAL: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the number of Tuberculosis patients admitted into the Government Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore, during the last financial year;

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(*b*) how many were refused admission for want of accommodation; and

(*c*) whether the Government propose to introduce free Streptomycin injections to very poor and deserving Tuberculosis patients in all district headquarters hospitals?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) 486.

" (*b*) 247.

" (*c*) The Government are incurring an expenditure of Rs. 40,000 every year on the purchase of this drug for administration to poor T. B. patients in select hospitals in the City and mufassal."

JANAB M. S. MOGRAL :—" In view of the mounting incidents of T.B. in the district, will the Government provide more beds in the District Headquarters Hospital? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" As the District Headquarters Hospital is being enlarged it will become possible to provide more beds. There is also a tuberculosis sanatorium being put up at Mudushedde near Mangalore."

SRI T. ANANTHA PAI :—" May I know when the new building for the District Headquarters Hospital is expected to be completed? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" As early as possible."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" Are the Government aware that tuberculosis patients who applied for admission received admission cards sometimes long after they had passed away from this world. Will the Government take care that urgent cases are immediately attended to? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir, It is a big problem. There is a long waiting list of tuberculosis patients in every tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium and the number of cases is so large that it is difficult to provide adequate accommodation for tuberculosis patients not only in this country but even in more progressive and advanced countries."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Next question 142."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" Questions 142 and 143 relate to a very important matter. Now that we are at the fag end of the Question-hour, I request the Chair that these Questions may be taken up to-morrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have no objection."

Letting of Molasses in the Sarada river.

* 144 *Q.*—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether representations were received by the Director of Public Health to the effect that the letting of molasses into